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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

THE SELECTMEN,

BOARD OF EDUCATION,

—AND—

Superintending School Committee,

—OF THE—

TOWN OF TILTON,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1879.



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THE TOWN OF TILTON.

The Selectmen charge themselves with Money Received, as follows :

To balance in the Treasury,	\$2,834 45
Received of Belknap County,	137 39
Savings Bank tax,	940 80
Railroad tax,	389 59
Literary Fund,	62 16
J. W. Gile, for old plank,	1 00
H. Sanborn, for old plank,	3 50
Amount of taxes committed to Collector, 1878,	7,551 65
Cash borrowed,	1,000 00
Albert Elliott, Collector for 1877,	1,906 57
S. J. Tilton, Collector 1874,	166 76
A. Elliott, interest on back tax, 1877,	31 20
	\$15,025 07

PAID OUT-STANDING BILLS.

Auditors' bill,	\$6 00
J. W. Moore, tax refunded,	3 00
E. L. Sanborn, aid to transient poor,	7 75
B. F. Cass, watering-trough,	3 00
J. F. Eastman, transient poor,	12 25
G. S. Philbrick, S. S. Committee,	35 00
Pike & Blodgett, Clark case,	60 00

E. G. Smith, express,	\$2 25
J. P. Dearborn, services as Selectman,	8 00
J. L. Rowen, on road,	3 75
G. W. Baker, printing Reports,	19 40
J. P. Osborne, medical aid to L. Avery,	37 00
“ “ “ “ Hawley girl, and others,	25 75
H. Q. Dalton, services as Selectman, 1877,	8 40
E. L. Sanborn, “ “ “	8 50
A. E. Elliott, Collector, 1877,	107 41
T. D. Foss,	1 50
T. M. Towns, on roads,	20 00
G. S. Philbrick,	2 00
T. M. Towns,	25 00
J. W. Wilkins, on road,	2 00
G. W. Griffin, on Clark case,	49 00
B. C. & M. Railroad, land damage,	25 00
Union School, A. S. Ballantyne, Treasurer,	30 00
E. L. Sanborn, expense in Clark case,	3 00
S. J. Tilton, collecting, 1874,	95 36
C. C. Rogers, services in Pearson case, &c.,	25 00
S. H. Williams, express on reports, 1877,	25
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	\$616 57

PAID CURRENT EXPENSES.

Edson C. Eastman, stationery,	\$19 14
S. H. Williams, Town Clerk,	65 00
John Curry,	10 00
W. P. Lang, Policeman,	15 00
G. W. Baker, printing,	2 00
W. L. Sanborn, sawing wood,	30
“ “ Index book,	1 50
G. W. Baker, printing Bonds,	12 00
Chas. F. Hill, printing,	1 00
G. A. Stevens, stationery,	25
B. T. Brown, Index book,	3 00

J. C. Dinsmore, sawing wood,	\$1 00
T. D. Foss, book,	70
F. T. Sanborn, white-washing Lobby,	1 00
W. C. Mudgett, watering-trough,	3 00
E. L. Sanborn, abating nuisance,	2 50
J. P. Dearborn, wood,	2 00
J. F. Eastman, Policeman,	10 00
W. L. Sanborn, sawing wood,	25
E. L. Sanborn, making inventory for Co. Commissioners,	5 00
Philbrick & Hill, wood for Lobby,	1 38
B. F. Cass, watering-trough,	3 00
County tax,	1,369 76
State tax,	1,092 00
Samuel S. Hersey, services as Selectman,	55 00
E. L. Sanborn, services as Treasurer,	40 00
W. P. & J. Hill, rent of Hall, Office, and damage to settees,	90 00
T. D. Foss, Selectmen's board,	6 00
G. S. Philbrick, record of School District bounds,	4 10
C. B. Garmon, Policeman,	8 00
“ “ Selectmen's board,	18 00
J. L. Lovering, horse board,	5 00
H. Q. Dalton, services as Selectman,	70 34
E. L. Sanborn, “ “	85 00
“ “ money paid out, and postage,	14 35
“ “ horse and carriage out of Town,	6 75
S. S. Hersey, Overseer of Poor, and cash paid out out,	12 00
Philbrick & Hill, wood,	1 90
J. F. Taylor, tax refunded,	12 74
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	\$3,049 96

PAID SUPPORT OF POOR.

Philbrick & Hill, wood for R. R. Whitcher,	\$3 00
C. C. Taylor, for Conant boy,	1 25
H. Q. Dalton, clothing of Conant boy,	11 75
“ “ for transient poor,	40 50
S. J. Bailey, for Mrs. E. Adams,	10 00

G. J. Johnson, board of Conant boy,	\$65 20
Reform School, for Rowell and Hannaford boys,	90 64
A. W. Abbott, medical aid to Conant boy,	6 00
C. R. Gould, medical aid to Mrs. Hannaford, Creighton, and Moody families,	12 65
C. R. Gould, medical aid to Moody family,	75
H. Q. Dalton, services, as Overseer of the Poor,	15 00
E. L. Sanborn, " " " "	17 00
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	\$273 74

PAID ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

J. F. Eastman, on bridge,	\$12 00
G. Holmes,	11 00
Philbrick & Hill, for spikes,	4 00
H. Sanborn, on bridge,	12 00
J. H. Joyce,	2 50
Orrin N. Clark,	2 00
J. H. Keniston,	1 00
J. E. Dennis,	10 00
Smith & Barnes, for plank,	59 58
J. Lougee,	2 00
D. S. Gilman,	6 05
J. P. Dearborn,	10 50
J. W. Gile,	1 28
J. S. James,	1 95
S. S. Thompson,	45
T. P. Atherton,	5 00
Moses Garland,	3 00
R. R. Whitcher,	1 50
H. Abbott & Co.,	61
L. W. Towle,	75
O. C. Hurlbert,	11 88
W. H. Clarke,	11 63
W. S. Hill,	47 00
D. Clark,	60

Edwin Sanborn,	\$10 00
J. H. Philbrick,	7 50
W. H. Clark,	5 00
E. G. Clark,	13 13
B. W. Brown,	136 12
H. Q. Dalton,	25 00
B. P. Simonds,	148 24
S. S. Hersey,	13 00
G. E. McAlpine,	2 75
Philbrick & Hill,	3 20
H. Q. Dalton,	22 00
B. P. Simonds,	33 12
E. L. Sanborn,	35 00
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	\$672 34

PAID FOR SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

J. March,	\$10 00
S. Page,	6 00
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	\$16 00
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Paid bounty on foxes and hawks,	\$3 60
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Paid on Town notes,	\$2,741 04
Interest on Bonds,	909 00
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	\$3,650 04

PAID THE SEVERAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Union School District No. 1, A. S. Ballantyne, Treas.,	\$457 32
District No. 1, M. B. Fosgate,	100 62
" " 2, E. W. Sanborn,	90 61
" " 3, D. S. Gilman,	131 37
" " 4, C. N. Huckins,	235 00
" " 5, W. H. H. Rollins,	81 26
" " 1, Sanbornton, Stephen S. Hersey,	51 53
" " 2, Sanbornton,	1 61
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	\$1,149 32

PAID THE SEVERAL RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

H. Q. Dalton, 2nd Methodist,	\$16 96
“ “ Freewill Baptist,	18 24
T. W. Long, 1st Methodist,	16 96
D. S. Clay, 1st Congregational,	15 04
J. F. Taylor, Episcopal,	24 64
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	\$91 84

TOWN DEBT.

Notes and Interest to March 1, 1879,	\$12,271 58
Bonds, and Interest,, “ “ “	16,291 00
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	\$28,562 58

ASSETS.

Railroad Stock, 21 shares,	\$210 00
Uncollected taxes, 1878,	2,916 55
Cash in Treasury,	2,585 11
Due from S. J. Tilton, Collector 1874,	18 92
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	\$5,730 58
Net Indebtedness,	<hr/>
	\$22,832 00

School and Parsonage Fund Note,	\$3,166 35
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WHICH IS ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Paid Out-standing bills,	\$616 57
Notes and Interest on Bonds,	3,650 04
Damage done sheep by dogs,	16 00
Current Expenses,	3,049 96
Support of the Poor,	273 74
Schools,	1,149 32
Religious Societies,	91 84
Bounty on foxes and hawks,	3 60
Roads and bridges,	672 34
Uncollected taxes for 1878,	2,916 55
Cash in Treasury,	2,585 11
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	\$15,025 07

Respectfully Submitted,

E. L. SANBORN, } *Selectmen*
HENRY Q. DALTON, } *of*
S. S. HERSEY, } *Tilton.*

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

JOSEPH P. DEARBORN, }
 AMOS H. JONES, } *Auditors.*
 DANIEL S. CLAY, }

Tilton, March 5, 1879.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, FOR UNION DISTRICT.

Since our Report, one year ago, the schools in this district have been as prosperous and successful as could be reasonably expected, and under the instruction of Miss Lizzie A. Nelson and Miss Lizzie A. Chase, in the Grammar and Primary schools, respectively.

All that needs to be said of the Primary school is to simply remark, that during the year there has been no lack of the old time interest and active industry in the school-room.

The progress has been marked, the thoroughness, and discipline most excellent.

The Grammar department has been under the charge of a very able, patient, and thorough teacher. The discipline during the last term, more particularly, was quite satisfactory.

It was pleasant to the Board, as well as to the teachers, to see the interest manifested on the part of parents and citizens by their attendance on the closing exercises of the two schools. We feel justified in saying that all who took the time to attend, felt more than paid for their trouble in the interesting examinations and rhetorical exercises which were of such an order as to give credit to teachers and pupils.

During the past year, at a small extra expense, we have introduced vocal music as a study in both schools.

The progress made, and the interest shown in the art, were very satisfactory. Should any change take place in teachers, for the coming year, it is to be hoped that some one competent to teach vocal music, and vocal culture, may be obtained.

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Length of School in weeks,	10	12	11
Whole number of Scholars,	26	18	23
Average attendance,	22.17	17 1-12	21 32-55
Number in Reading,	26	18	23
“ “ Arithmetic,	26 *	18	23

The balance of this table cannot be given, as the Register furnished to this School was not of the proper edition to call for the summaries required by law to be reported.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Length in weeks,	10	12	11
Whole number of Scholars,	60	64	56
Average attendance,	50	56	48
Number in Reading,	60	64	56
“ Spelling,	60	64	56
“ Penmanship,	48	64	56
“ Arithmetic,	48	48	48
“ Geography,	11	25	30
“ Vocal Music,		64	56
“ Instances of Tardiness,	24	18	*
“ Dismissal,	8	8	*

* Not reported.

CHARLES R. GOULD, } *Board*
A. S. BALLANTYNE, } *of*
C. C. ROGERS, } *Education.*

Tilton, N. H., March 1, 1879.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

The Committee chosen by the Town, to aid the Superintendent in selecting an uniform series of books for the use of the schools in Town, have completed their labors by introducing the following series :

ARITHMETIC.—Robinson's New.—*Fish*. Introductory, and Complete. Colburn's Mental.

GRAMMAR.—Quackenbos' Language Lessons.
" Grammar.

GEOGRAPHY.—Harper's Introductory.
" School.

READERS.—Franklin Series, 1 to 5 inclusive.

SPELLER.—Swinton's Word Book.

WRITING.—Duntonian System.

HISTORY.—Quackenbos' New American.

The introduction of these books has reduced the number of classes in our school fully one-third, and at the same time given a better classification. Most of them were introduced early in the year, and the results, so far, are highly satisfactory.

At the request of the Committee, the Publishers have donated copies of nearly all the above named books, to the several Districts in Town, for the use of the teachers, who at the end of each term should be required to leave them with the Prudential Committee.

Your Committee feel grateful to the citizens of the Town for so promptly supplying their children with these new books at a time of so much financial distress. A little attention to the plain requirements of the law, on the part of School Committees, would have rendered it entirely unnecessary at present, and will render it altogether impossible in the future.

The labor of your Committee in selecting and introducing these books, has been entirely gratuitous. We received 10 per cent. from the Publishers, which we have expended in supplying needy children with books.

Some of the evils spoken of in my report one year ago still exist, though most of them, I am pleased to say, in a less degree. The parents have visited the schools more than heretofore, and, consequently, there has been more sympathy for, and less fault-finding with the teachers.

It is the opinion of your Committee, that, with one exception, the schools have been generally satisfactory to the patrons. In the excepted School District, public opinion seemed to be pretty evenly divided, and both sides sought the aid of the Committee. Petitioners No. 1, could hardly find adjectives, in the language, strong enough to express the complete unfitness of the teacher, and utter worthlessness of the school. Petitioners No. 2, were equally at a loss how to express their admiration of the teacher and praise of the school. Fortunately, or otherwise, just at this juncture the teacher was taken sick and the school summarily closed.

There are still too many instances of tardiness and too many days absence. As will be seen, from the table at the close of this Report, *nearly one-fourth of all the scholars in Town were absent every day.*

If parents could be made to feel that it is as much a part of their children's education to be there promptly in the morning, and there every day, unless absolutely impossible, as anything they may learn from their books, they would at once break up this evil habit. Promptness and attention are absolutely indispensable to success in

the school-room or in business, but they are acquired qualities—as much matters of education and habit as inattention and dilatoriness are.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Summer term of 8, and Winter term of 10 weeks, taught by Eva R. Spofford.

Whole number of scholars, 9.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Summer term 8, Winter term 9 weeks, taught by Miss Maria S. Lane.

Whole number of scholars, 12.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Summer term 7 2-5 weeks, taught by Miss Anna M. Lang.

Winter term 8 weeks, taught by Mr. Solon F. Hill.

Whole number of scholars, 33.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Spring, Fall, and Winter terms, 27 weeks, taught by Miss Mary S. Coombs.

Whole number of scholars, 30.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Fall and Winter term 17 weeks, taught by Mr. Wm. H. H. Rollins.

Whole number of scholars, 26.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

EXCLUSIVE OF UNION DISTRICT, No. 1.

Whole No. of scholars, attending not less than two weeks,	113
Number attending to Reading,	113
“ “ Writing,	48
“ “ Spelling,	113
“ “ Arithmetic,	76
“ “ Grammar,	36
“ “ Geography,	63
“ “ History,	10
Average length of all the schools, for the year, in weeks,	18 4-5
“ daily attendance,	86
No. of children, between 5 and 15, not attending any school,	7

Amount of school revenue,	\$676 57
“ Teachers' salaries,	\$596 25
Average expense for each scholar,	\$5 55

GEORGE S. PHILBRICK,

Superintending School Committee.





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